

the Vice Chief of Staff of the Army. That is the Army alone. The total failure is going to be somewhere around \$22 billion that would be lost.

All said, this would put work rebuilding our military even further behind and waste enormous amounts of taxpayer dollars.

The national defense strategy—that is this book. This is kind of interesting because this book was put together by Democrats and Republicans, all with expertise and a background in the military, equal number of Democrats and Republicans, and they all agreed that this was going to be our defense strategy. They have a National Defense Strategy Committee. That national defense strategy provided a clear vision of the serious challenges it faces and the necessity of “urgent change at significant scale.” That is what Secretary Mattis stated.

Failure to pass an NDAA and accepting a full-year CR would stop our Nation’s defense strategy in its tracks. It would undo all the good work we have done with Secretary Esper, the President of the United States, the Pentagon, as well as our partners, to follow the recommendations of the NDS Commission report.

This is not just inside-the-beltway gridlock. The world is watching. Our allies and our enemies are watching. They want to know if America is serious about its role in the world and its own national defense.

Failure to pass basic legislation on a timely basis to support our military sends a terrible signal that undermines our national security. Think of the signal that sends to our troops who are out there risking their lives to defend us here at home.

Caring for our troops is about the only thing anyone in this town agrees on. If we lose that bipartisan support, it will be hard to get it back, and we need it now more than ever.

China and Russia. This is interesting because we didn’t used to be that concerned about them. I would say that during the Obama administration, his priorities were not the same. He was very honest about it. He had other priorities. So we didn’t do the job we should have done at that time for our military. China and Russia are not waiting around for us to end our disagreements with each other.

During the last administration, under Obama, our military funding decreased by 25 percent. Between the years of 2010 and 2015, we decreased the amount of funding for our military in that administration by 25 percent. Meanwhile, China had increased spending by 83 percent over the last decade. Think about it. China increased its spending by 83 percent, and we reduced ours by 25 percent.

They are continuing a campaign of aggression, building islands in the South China Sea. Our allies over in the South China Sea are watching what China is doing there and around the world and what we are not doing. They

have come to the conclusion that a third world war may be imminent, and they are not sure whose side they want to be on.

This chart I am showing right here is a picture of hypersonic weapons. These are state-of-the-art weapons. These are missiles that travel at five times the speed of sound. This is something we were ahead on during the beginning of the previous administration, and we are now behind. Right now, China is parading dozens of massive hypersonic missiles, and we have haven’t even built one yet.

There they are. That is a picture I haven’t seen until today. Those are hypersonic weapons, and they were on Tiananmen Square on October 1, 2019. A lot of people didn’t know that they are—they have not just caught up with us; they have passed us. We haven’t built one yet, and there they are.

People don’t realize where China and Russia are. That is China, but Russia continues to develop new and dangerous nuclear weapons, while it expands its influence in the Middle East and elsewhere.

I have no doubt that a united America can face these challenges. I fear that a divided America—a country that allows defending America to be a partisan issue—cannot.

The path to a final defense bill is, as it always has been, bipartisan. The Defense authorization bill has historically enjoyed broad bipartisan support, and that is not an accident. Both parties have compromised to get a bill worthy of our troops and worthy of our troops’ sacrifices.

I hope we get to a place where we can find common ground to give our troops and military a comprehensive bill. That is what we want to continue to do.

We have been working on this bill for a long period of time. Normally, it doesn’t take this long. We have gotten it down to what they call the four leaders. I am one of those four leaders who have been trying to put this together, but we have not been able to get it done.

What we are doing with this bill is we are putting the bill up. We are going to get it on the floor so we can be ready.

Here is the problem: If we don’t do it, we can sit around and do nothing through the month of November, and when December gets here, all of a sudden, we are going to be faced with the fact that we are going to have some bill that takes care of just the military, not all the other stuff that is on the bill. To do this, you have to pass it out of committee. You have to take it to the floor of the Senate. You have to pass it out. Then, if you get that far, the House has to do the same thing. Then we go into conference, and we confer on this thing.

Obviously, that is going to take not just days but weeks. So to prepare for the unlikely possibility that we don’t get together, we do have the skeleton bill that we are going to introduce. I

am going to introduce it an hour from now. It is the only thing we can do right now to make sure we can take care of our troops if we are not able to get the comprehensive bill completed. That is the reason for it. I will be introducing it.

Every provision in that bill is a provision to enhance our military efforts, to pay our troops, and to take care of our country the way we have been able to do in the past.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1213. Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. GARDNER, and Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1214. Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Ms. BALDWIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1215. Ms. MCSALLY (for herself and Ms. SINEMA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1216. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mr. PORTMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1217. Mr. REED submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1218. Mr. TILLIS (for himself and Mr. BURR) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1219. Mr. CORNYN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1220. Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1221. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1222. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1223. Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Ms. SMITH, Mr. CASEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BOOKER, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BROWN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. CASSIDY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1224. Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. BOOKER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1225. Mr. PORTMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1226. Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Ms. HARRIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1227. Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. BENNET) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1228. Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. BROWN, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. WARREN, and Mr. MARKEY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1229. Mr. PETERS (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. JONES, and Mr. TESTER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1230. Ms. SMITH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1231. Mr. LEE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1232. Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Ms. DUCKWORTH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1233. Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. BROWN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1234. Ms. MCSALLY (for herself and Mr. BOOKER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1235. Mr. PORTMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1236. Mr. TILLIS (for himself, Mr. GARDNER, and Mr. GRAHAM) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1237. Mr. BRAUN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1238. Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mr. CASEY, Mr. KAINE, Mr. JONES, Mr. WARNER, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. BROWN, Mr. DURBIN, and Ms. HARRIS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1239. Mr. ROMNEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1240. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 916, to improve Federal efforts with respect to the prevention of maternal

mortality, and for other purposes; which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1213. Mr. BLUNT (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. GARDNER, and Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

TITLE —TRAVEL PROMOTION

SEC. 01. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the “Brand USA Extension Act”.

SEC. 02. THE CORPORATION FOR TRAVEL PROMOTION.

Subsection (b) of the Travel Promotion Act of 2009 (22 U.S.C. 2131(b)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2)(A)—

(A) in clause (ii), by inserting “or foodservice” after “restaurant”;

(B) in clause (v), by inserting “, such as outdoor recreation or theme parks” before the semicolon at the end; and

(C) in clause (viii), by inserting “commercial or private” before “passenger air sector”;

(2) in paragraph (5)(A)—

(A) in clause (iii), by inserting “speaking conventions, sales missions,” after “trade shows,”;

(B) in clause (iv), by striking “and” at the end;

(C) in clause (v), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”;

(D) by adding at the end the following:

“(vi) to promote tourism to the United States through digital media, online platforms, and other appropriate medium.”; and

(3) in paragraph (7)(C), by striking “3 days” and inserting “5 days”.

SEC. 03. ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES.

Subsection (c) of the Travel Promotion Act of 2009 (22 U.S.C. 2131(c)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2), by striking “\$500,000” and inserting “\$450,000”; and

(2) in paragraph (3)—

(A) by redesignating subparagraph (I) as subparagraph (K);

(B) in subparagraph (H)(iii), by striking “and” at the end; and

(C) by inserting after subparagraph (H)(iii) the following:

“(I) a list of countries the Corporation identifies as emerging markets for tourism to the United States;

“(J) a description of the efforts the Corporation has made to promote tourism to rural areas of the United States; and”.

SEC. 04. EXTENSION OF FUNDING FOR BRAND USA.

Subsection (d) of the Travel Promotion Act of 2009 (22 U.S.C. 2131(d)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking “2020” and inserting “2027”;

(2) in paragraph (3)(B)(ii), by striking “70 percent” and inserting “50 percent”; and

(3) in paragraph (4)(B), by striking “2020” and inserting “2027”.

SEC. 05. PERFORMANCE PLAN.

Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Corporation for Travel Promotion shall make the performance metrics established pursuant to subsection (f)(1)(A) of the Travel Promotion Act

of 2009 (22 U.S.C. 2131(f)(1)(A)) publicly available on the website of the Corporation.

SEC. 06. ELECTRONIC SYSTEM FOR TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION FEE INCREASE.

Section 217(h)(3)(B)(i)(I) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1187(h)(3)(B)(i)(I)) is amended by striking “\$10” and inserting “\$17”.

SA 1214. Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Ms. BALDWIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place under the heading “OPERATIONS” under the heading “FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION” in title I of division D, insert the following: “*Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, not less than \$5,000,000 shall be used for a veterans pilot training competitive grant program.”.

SA 1215. Ms. MCSALLY (for herself and Ms. SINEMA) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 311, line 2, insert “*Provided further*, That not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Chief of the Forest Service shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations and Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committees on Appropriations and Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate a report detailing the status of efforts to accelerate forest ecosystem restoration under the Four Forest Restoration Initiative.” after “7303(f).”.

SA 1216. Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mr. PORTMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title VII of division B, insert the following:

SEC. 7____. (a) There is appropriated \$600,000 to carry out section 6306 of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (7 U.S.C. 2204b-3).

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the amount appropriated under this Act to the Department of Agriculture under the heading “OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER” shall be reduced by \$600,000.

SA 1217. Mr. REED submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 948 proposed by Mr. SHELBY to the bill H.R. 3055, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and